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FRENCH OFFICIAL ENVOY TALKS TO GREEK RULER

Denys Cochin Tells Constantine What the Alliance Will Give Him In Return For Participating In War On Their Side—Also What They Might Do If He Goes Other Way—Position of Serbia Growing More Desperate—British Hurry Toward Monastir

Athens, Nov. 18.—In unmistakable terms, Denys Cochin, French cabinet member, today informed King Constantine concerning the allies' terms toward Greece.

He told the king what the allies offer for passing co-operation in the Balkan situation, what they will give for active aid, and how they will retaliate if Greece joins the central powers, thus endangering seriously the allied position.

Cochin's conference with the king followed a discussion yesterday with Premier Stoukaidis, who upon assuming office, notified the allies that Greece would be "benevolently neutral" toward them. After finishing his discussion with the king, Cochin will probably go to Salonika.

The least that the allies insist on is strict non-interference by Greece with their progress, and strict guarantees that Greece will not attempt to intern the allies if they are driven back across the Serb boundary into Grecian territory.

While Paris and London stated after Greece refused the allied proffer of the island of Cyprus for her aid that the offer would not be renewed, it is believed now, however, that the allies regard Greek assistance as so valuable that the offer will be made again if Constantine is inclined to accept.

Earl Kitchener is expected here before Cochin finally departs.

Authorities pointed out today that, judging from the cordiality with which the populace greeted Cochin, the general public is for the allies. Whether the king will run counter to this apparent public sentiment, however, is still in doubt.

Former Minister of Marine Stratton has gone to Germany, presumably on government business.

Condition Is Desperate.

Amsterdam, Nov. 18.—The situation of beleaguered Serbia is desperate today. Both her northern and southern armies are in danger of capture. The best she can hope for is a chance to abandon the nation to its invaders.

There is a possibility that the northern army can give the Austro-Germans the slip and flee into Montenegro where they would be welcomed.

In the south, however, the outlook is at Ochrida in the southwestern corner of Serbia. From there, perhaps, the Serbs will make their way into Albania, but even so, they are likely to receive a hostile reception, while if they fled into Greece, they probably would be interned.

Everywhere the Austrians, Germans and Bulgars are rapidly completing their work of clearing the nation of its defenders.

In the south two great events are developing. A big battle is brewing about Strumitza near the Serb-Bulgarian boundary, while Monastir apparently can hold out only a few hours more.

The Bulgarian armies in force have joined at Prilep and are sweeping toward Monastir, a comparatively short march. Most of Monastir's population has fled. British troops are hurrying to the relief of the city, but it is doubtful whether they will arrive in time to prevent the place from falling into the Bulgarian trap.

British Hurry to Aid

London, Nov. 18.—Hoping to reach the threatened city of Monastir in the southern part of Serbia before it is too late, British troops were on route there today.

Abe Martin



If young Rockefeller don't quit putting up somebody to inveigle him into a checker game. It takes adversity to produce a first-class human being.

AMERICAN DOCTOR ON BOARD ANCONA FILES HER AFFIDAVIT

Cecile Greil Deposits Boats of Liner Shelled After Launching

Washington, Nov. 18.—The affidavit of Dr. Cecile Greil, American woman survivor of the liner Ancona torpedoed by the Austro-German submarine today, was filed in the federal court here.

Contradicting Austria's official claims, the doctor declared that debarking passengers were shelled by the Austrian submarine. She did not clear up, however, the matter of the Ancona's alleged flight.

The affidavit was obtained by an American official at Marseilles sent to the hospital at Bizerta to get her statement.

The woman's statement was the first authentic report from an American source, definitely stating that the passengers had been shelled after the liner stopped. As such it left the administration no alternative but to make a strong protest to Austria.

The summary of the affidavit as enabled by Consul Mason, of Algiers, said:

"Cecile Greil, intelligent impartial witness, deposition inconclusive whether Ancona attempted escape. First intimation danger when she dining saloon. Disturbance deck, stoppage, followed shortly shock shook vessel."

"Her testimony proves bombardment lasted 45 minutes, continued after vessel stopped, killing and wounding many. She saw torpedoes; saw red, white flag, six cannon on submarine."

"Knows nothing regarding other Americans."

Information Algiers, Bizerta demonstrates 13 vessels submerged November third to seventh from Gibraltar to Ancona.

The description of the flag given by Dr. Greil is that of the Austrian flag.

The fact that 13 ships have been sunk in so brief a period may lead to complications, since it may mean that German submarines were involved.

Secretary Will Act.

Washington, Nov. 18.—Protests to Austria over the torpedoing of the Italian liner Ancona, with Americans aboard, will be made by this government as a result of an affidavit from Dr. Cecile Greil, American, contradicting claims that her submarine commander did not shell survivors as they took to the lifeboats.

The state department announced that action on the case, however, would be postponed until further evidence had been received. It was learned that the principal point of the forthcoming protest will be the submarine commander's failure to insure the safety of Ancona passengers.

Austria, Secretary Lansing made it clear, cannot excuse her action in torpedoing the liner merely on the ground she allowed 35 or 45 minutes for passengers to get safely into lifeboats. Even with that allowance many perished.

The secretary held that it was the duty of the submarine commander not

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"BABY KILLER" IS
YELLED OVER PHONE
INTO PHYSICIAN'S SEAR

New York, Nov. 18.—Two scrub women, mothers of children defective since birth, agreed today that Mrs. Anna Bolinger of Chicago did right when she consented to let nature take its course and allow her baby to die. If their babies were to be born again, they would let them die, they said.

"A doctor should let such a baby die without telling the mother it could have lived," said Mrs. Anna Bolinger, supporting an epileptic daughter now 25 years old.

The parents would suffer some, but not like the deformed baby does," said Mrs. Rhoda Burke. "When the mother dies, there is none to care for him."

Chicago, Nov. 18.—Mrs. Anna Bolinger's deformed boy baby is dead. Before night, the woman, who bore this monstrous six days ago and acquiesced in Dr. Haiselden's "death sentence," will know the toll has gone, if her condition permits.

Passing the night in fitful sleep, she awakened at intervals to ask if the boy was dead. Doctors and nurses kept the news from her. They thought the shock might prove too great in her weakened condition, though the mother, acquiescing in Dr. Haiselden's decision to let nature take its course, without an operation to save the defective, realized that the end could be but hours away.

"I am thankful it is over," said the father in tears today. "I am thankful for the child's sake alone. We wanted him to live, but finally we realized that it was only the selfishness of parents' love."

The husband will break the news to Mrs. Bolinger if doctors decide she can stand it.

Coroner Physician Reinhardt today exonerate Dr. Haiselden for his decision

RAILROAD REFUSES TO GRANT SINGLE POINT TO STATE

S. P. Attorneys Would Have "Compromise" Only On Part of State

COMMITTEE MEETS TO
DISCUSS O. & C. LAND

Members of Committee Suggest Solutions and Railroad Only Objects

"The railroad is ready and willing to meet the state more than half way. Let them come to an agreement," said Attorney Dunn, of the S. J., in his address to the land grant conference.

"Today's conference shows 'It can't be, Dunn.'"

As indicated at the meeting this morning of the committee appointed to affect an agreement between the state and the Southern Pacific relative to the disposition of the O. & C. lands, the grant conference which generated great volumes of hot air and provoked some lengthy discussions will sag in the middle and dissolve gently and the O. & C. lands will remain in possession of the railroad company. At the meeting today attorneys Ralph A. Moody and B. A. McAllister for the railroad company refused to concede a single point which did not admit a fee simple title of the railroad company to the lands; which did not grant the company the right to remove the timber or which did not allow the railroad their own time to dispose of the lands under the terms of the grant. In other words, the railroad contended for every single point that was granted in the most favorable decision of the supreme court and would not release a single one of these points to further an agreement.

Chairman W. J. Vawter summed up the situation when he said:

"There is absolutely no need for a further conference if the railroad adheres to the contention that the company has a fee simple title to the lands, has a right to sever the timber, to choose the actual settler and to sell the land at its own sweet will."

Mr. Moody stated that the railroad company held for all of these points regardless of the fact that the railroad suggested that the conference leave the solution of the problem to a small committee. The natural inference then was that there would be no agreement and when the committee adjourned this afternoon the problem would be as far from solution as it ever was unless that

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IN THE GOING TO BALL GAME

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GOVERNOR SPRY REFUSES APPEAL OF PRESIDENT WILSON

Will Allow Hillstrom Execution To Proceed Tomorrow As Ordered

Salt Lake City, Utah, Nov. 18.—Governor Spry wired President Wilson this afternoon that he would not stay the execution of Joe Hillstrom, I. W. W., who is to be shot for double murder, tomorrow, unless new evidence was presented immediately.

During the forenoon, the governor called a special executive session of the entire board.

Seven leading Utah democrats conferred with the governor during the day, and disapproved of what they called President Wilson's "unwarranted interference" in the case. They endorsed the execution.

With this message, all hope for Hillstrom seemed gone. Preparations had been made for sending him before the firing squad tomorrow. The state's gunmen are ready. No snow signs of weakness. If, at the last moment, anyone does waver, his place will be filled by a reserve gunman.

He will be shot at sunrise, unless the miraculous happens. Every opportunity has been given for the condemned man to present fresh testimony. None has been forthcoming. It seems likely no more can be presented between now and dawn.

The president urged none in his request. His lawyers, apparently failed to gather from Hillstrom anything further to warrant delay.

Without a clergyman, the condemned man will be led from the death chamber out into the prison court yard. There the death chair will be waiting. He will be blindfolded. Five muzzles will point at him. At a signal all will fire. One rifle will have a blank cartridge so that every executioner may feel that perhaps he was not the one who killed Hillstrom.

Only a few persons will be permitted to witness the execution.

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ITALIANS CLAIM ADVANCE IN THE MOUNTAIN REGION

Artillery Duel Is Especially Severe Between Contending Armies—Germans Admit Loss of Trench in Argonne But Claim Steady Progress In Serbia—British Win First Success In Months at Dardanelles, Taking 150 Yards of Turkish Trenches

Rome, Nov. 18.—In the steep hills through which the Leno De Valleria torrent tumbles, Italian and Austrian soldiers are dealing out death with big artillery.

The war office claimed today that the Italians had succeeded in this portion of the Adige valley in straightening and enlarging their lines, and repulsing violent Austrian onslaughts.

Other repulses were noted in the Padola and Fella valleys. An all day cannonade in the Carso plateau region failed to halt the Italian advance.

Heavy losses were inflicted when the Austrians made attacks in force in the Monte San Michele zone.

In the Iguzzo district, the Austrian batteries have laid waste several towns. Fires starting from bombardments converted Mosca and Lucinico into a heap of ashes.

The war office claimed that the Austrian campaign of extermination is systematic and that the enemy guns are leveling villages where there are no Italian garrisons.

Italian capture of a strong position near Goritz was claimed.

Reports From Berlin.

Berlin, by wireless to Sayville, L. I., Nov. 18.—German evacuation of a trench in the Argonne district was officially admitted today. The war office statement explained that the Tenth soldiers quit when they discovered a mine was about to explode.

An English surprise attack on the Mesines-Armentieres road was repulsed.

Berlin, by wireless to Sayville, L. I., Nov. 18.—German forces occupied Kudi

sumiya, 30 miles southwest of Nish, after the Serbs had looted and abandoned the town, today's war office statement announced.

The Teutons are still pursuing the Serbs fleeing northern army along the Austro-German line from Javor to Radan.

He said he saw them herded into box cars at Florence and taken to Arezzo for the execution.

English Take Turks' Trenches.

London, Nov. 18.—"We have captured 150 yards of Turkish trenches east and 120 west of Krithia," said the official statement today detailing Dardanelles operations.

This was the first success of importance in these operations reported in weeks.

Simultaneous with news of the Dardanelles advance Lord Ribblesdale told the house of lords that he had heard Sir Charles Monro, the new Gallipoli commander recommended abandoning the campaign.

Germans Repulsed.

London, Nov. 18.—German attacks in the Dvinsk and Chortorsk regions were reported by Petrograd today, though the Teutons made no gains in either point. The Germans lost trenches though they were not materially forced back.

REPAIRING ROAD
TO MINE CEMETERY

Preparations Being Made For Burial of Many Victims of Disaster

Ravensdale, Wash., Nov. 18.—A rough and rocky road leads from the little town of Ravensdale to a little cemetery on the hill, and a mile away. At this time of year it is almost impassable. Today a big gang of mine workers are repairing it. They are talking silently and gloomily.

Two days ago they were working at the Northwest Improvement company's coal mine here, or in other mines nearby. But when the explosion came on Tuesday afternoon wrecking the mine and burying more than thirty men, the Ravensdale miners were thrown out of work, and the others, as is the custom of miners, quit their jobs and adjourned to the scene of the tragedy.

Part of them donned helmets and tried to rescue the entrapped miners 1200 feet down in the earth. The others, having nothing to do, went to work on the road to the cemetery. The road will experience unusually heavy travel the next few days.

With twenty-two miners still buried on the third level of the mine, and with nine bodies recovered it is believed today, after a careful checking up, that the total dead will be thirty-one. All hope of finding life in any of the twenty-two still entombed has been abandoned. It may be a week before the debris still wedged into the level, between the rescuers and the bodies, can be cleared away.

HUGHES HAS DECLINED

Washington, Nov. 18.—Justice Hughes of the United States supreme court formally declined today to have his name go on the Nebraska republican primary ballot as presidential candidate.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 18.—Regardless of the decision of Justice Hughes of the United States supreme court against having his name on republican primary tickets, some of the state republican leaders declared today they will continue to work in hope of convincing him that there is a real sentiment for his candidacy. They plan to organize Hughes clubs to further this idea.

In the past, under the Nebraska system, if a candidate requests withdrawal of his name, it was stricken off unless those who filed it objected. The primary statutes provide only for the

matter of acceptance. If the Hughes petitioners objected, possibly court action would be necessary to keep the names off the ticket.

Hughes' letter to the secretary of state of Nebraska notified him that he declined to accept the petition filed November 13 or any similar petitions and requested that his name not be placed, as petitioned, on the primary ballots.

The preamble to Hughes' petition suggested he had been nominated without his consent though it was known he was opposed to the move. He declared that "the nation's welfare demands the drafting of the highest talent to lead the approaching contest for the triumph of republican principles."